Executive Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, De Smet was platted by the CNW Railroad on March 28, 1880; and,

Whereas, De Smet was named after a Jesuit Priest, Father De Smet; and,

Whereas, Early settlers in De Smet included the Charles Ingalls family, and is the home of Laura Ingalls Wilder, author of Little House on the Prairie books; and,

Whereas, De Smet hosts the Old Settlers Day Celebration, the longest running event in Kingsbury County; and,

Whereas, De Smet was named Governor's South Dakota Community in 2002; and,

Whereas, De Smet is known as the Little Town on the Prairie, and the county seat of Kingsbury County; and,

Whereas, De Smet will celebrate its 125th anniversary celebration on June 6-11, 2005:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim June 10, 2005, as

DE SMET QUASQUICENTENNIAL DAY

in South Dakota.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twentieth Day of May in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Five.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State